

Appl. No. 10/615,638
Amdt. dated April 11, 2005
Reply to Office action of February 11, 2005

REMARKS

This Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement is responsive to an Office action dated February 11, 2005 setting forth a shortened statutory period for reply expiring on March 11, 2005. A petition for a one-month extension is submitted herewith.

Claims 1-20 were pending in the application with claims 1, 6 and 9 being independent claims. In the Office Action, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions:

Group I including claims 1-10, 13-18; or

Group II including claims 11, 12.

It is noted that the Examiner did not indicate which group claims 19-20 fall into. For purposes of this response, the Applicant assumes claim 19-20 fall into Group I.

The Examiner stated that these inventions are distinct because they require a separate search because Group I claims are drawn to a wine rack in class 211, and Group II claims are drawn to a wine rack in combination with wine in class 206.

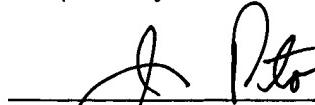
While Applicant traverse's the Examiner's restriction, the Applicant elects Group I including claims 1-10 and 13-18 and 19-20. Claims 11 and 12 of Group II are withdrawn without prejudice. Accordingly, claims 1-10 and 13-20 are now pending in the application, with claims 1, 6 and 9 being independent claims.

Submitted herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.136(a). Accordingly, please charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 in the amount of \$60.00 for one-month extension of time fee. The Applicant believes no further fees or petitions are required. However, if any such petitions or fees are necessary, please consider this a request therefor and authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 04-1415 accordingly.

If the Examiner should require any additional information or amendment, please contact the undersigned attorney.

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